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DAILY COURIER.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, - - JAN. 22, 1868.

DEMOCRATIC MEETINGS.

Democratic Meeting in the Eighth Ward.

There will be a meeting of the Democrats of the Eighth ward, this (Wednesday) evening, 22d, at the law office of Jackson, Harrington & Co., on Sixth street, between Market and Jefferson, for the purpose of reorganizing the Democratic Club. Let all attend the meeting at seven o'clock. JOHN S. CARPENTER, President.
RICHARD A. JOHNS, Secretary.

Nelson County.

A meeting of the Democracy of Nelson county will be held at the court-house in Bardstown, on Monday, the 10th day of February proximo, it being county court day, for the purpose of appointing delegates to the Democratic State Convention to be held in Frankfort on the 22d of February.

A full attendance from all parts of the county is requested.

By order of the Democratic County Committee.
ED. M. HAYDON, Secretary.

Larue County.

There will be a Democratic meeting held at the court-house in the town of Hodgenville, on the fourth Monday in January next, for the purpose of appointing delegates to the Democratic Convention to be held at Frankfort on the 22d day of February next.

Logan County.

The Democratic County Committee announce that a meeting of the Democracy will be held in Russellville on the fourth Monday in January, 1868, for the purpose of appointing delegates to the Democratic State Convention, to be held at Frankfort on the 22d of February next.

Washington County.

There will be a meeting of the Democrats of Washington county on the fourth Monday in January, 27th inst., at Springfield, for the purpose of appointing delegates to the Democratic Convention to be held in Frankfort on the 22d of February next.
L. B. THURMAN,
Chairman County Committee.

Harrison County.

There will be a mass meeting of the Democracy the county of Harrison, at the court-house in Cynthiana, on Monday, February 10th, 1868, it being county court day, to appoint delegates to the State Convention, which meets in the city of Frankfort on the 22d of February.

Meade County.

There will be a meeting of the Democrats of Meade county at the court-house in Brandenburg, on Monday, the 3d day of February, 1868, it being county court day, to appoint delegates to attend the State Convention to be held in Frankfort on the 22d day of February, 1868. All Democrats are invited, and urgently requested to attend. By order of COUNTY COMMITTEE.

THE NEWS.

COTTON was dull yesterday and 1/8c lower.

GOLD OPENED yesterday at 39¾, and closed at the same.

THE ARMENIAN House, at Janesville, Wis., was burned on Monday. Loss $12,000.

THERE WAS a severe shock of an earthquake at Kingston, Jamaica, on the 7th.

A NEGRO was frozen to death in Lebanon, Tenn., on Friday.

THE SIOUX and Cheyennes are again becoming troublesome at Fort Phil Kearney.

WATER WAS successfully introduced into pipes of the Minneapolis (Minnesota) water-works on Monday.

THE MEXICAN government has chartered an American steamer to convey troops to Yucatan to squelch the little eruption there.

THE JACKSON (Miss.) Clarion calls the part of the State Convention where the negro members have their seats "the Pompey-Squash side."

THE COMMERCIAL treaties with Venezuela and Madagascar have been ratified by the Senate.

IT IS said the President will nominate W. D. Bishop, of Connecticut, for Commissioner of Patents.

THE AMENDED reconstruction bill passed the House of Representatives yesterday by a vote of 128 to 45.

IN A dispute about the merits of their respective horse a cab driver shot two young men in Quebec on Monday night.

THE CITY Council of Columbus, Ohio, Monday night passed an ordinance to build water works, to be submitted to the voters of the city.

THE MISSISSIPPI reconstruction test case has been advanced on the calendar and set for hearing on the first Monday in March.

THE TENNESSEE Radical State Convention meets at Nashville to-morrow. The delegates are nearly all committed for Grant.

THE VOCLLAIRE-RUTH case was before the courts in St. Louis, yesterday. Voullaire threatens to publish his wife's letters to Ruth.

THE PRINTERS employed on the organ of the Mississippi Convention are on a strike for their wages.

A PROJECT is on foot to create a navy for Mexico by building twenty-four frigates, one to be furnished by each State of the Republic.

THE CAPTAIN General of Cuba has determined to prevent the organization or departure of armed bands for Yucatan, and Santa Anna is again checkmated.

THE FLORIDA reconstruction convention organized on Monday. The President and Secretary are whites, and the balance of the officers are negroes.

THE BUILDING at the corner of Elm and Second streets, Cincinnati, occupied by the Chairmakers' Union, was destroyed by fire Monday night. Loss about $10,000.

THE SOUTH Carolina Reconstruction Convention is considering a resolution to throw open the doors of all the State educational institutions to negroes.

THE RADICALS of St. Louis are leaving the negro out in the cold. At a meeting, on Monday, his name was not mentioned in any of the resolutions adopted.

T. R. O'CONNOR, a school-teacher in Richfield, Minnesota, was put off the cars for failing to pay the extra ten cents exacted for not procuring a ticket, and froze to death.

A BILL is before the Tennessee Legislature to prohibit lawyers who were identified with the Confederacy from practicing in the courts of that State.

THE COLUMBUS (Miss.) Index says it is rumored that fifteen hundred freedmen in Lowndes county have signed their names to a colonization scheme to Liberia. Poor darky! There's a Yankee finger in this pie to make money.

A PETITION signed by about forty delegates to the Louisiana Convention has been forwarded to Washington asking for the immediate removal of Gen. Hancock, as he is considered an obstacle to the way of restoration.

NUMEROUS PROTESTS have been received at the Treasury Department against the new measures to prevent the landing of orders of Mexico. Smuggled goods were seized there last year valued at sixty thousand dollars.

JOSEPH BEER was arrested in Memphis on Monday while serving on a jury, on a requisition from the Governor of Missouri, on a charge of obtaining $80,000 worth of goods of A. L. Lacroix, of St. Louis, under false pretenses.

THE WOOLEN mills, largely owned by Hon. A. P. Morrill, at Reddfield, Maine, have been compelled to suspend operations on account of low water. Other mills in that State have suspended for the same reason.

IT WAS rumored at Havana on Monday that one Ratael sailed in the steamer Moro Castle, for New York, to issue bonds for Santa Anna, to enable the latter to prosecute his plans against the Mexican Government in Yucatan.

IN A suit against John Leighton, instituted by the Franklin Mining Company, of Boston, for misappropriation of funds in certain transactions in which the company are interested, the jury found a verdict for the company, assessing the damages at $10,000.

MR. CONNESS yesterday introduced a resolution in the United States Senate instructing the President to cause an investigation to be made into the arrests by Great Britain of American citizens, and in the event that they had been guilty of no overt act against the peace and dignity of that Government, to demand their immediate release, and, if necessary, to call out the land and naval forces to enforce the demand. The resolution was laid over, but Mr. Conness gave notice he would call it up at an early day.

A CABLE dispatch this morning gives fuller details of the arrest of George Francis Train. It appears he was first taken before a justice of the peace at Queenstown, and, after an examination, discharged. He was afterward arrested at his hotel, and after a second examination he was sent under guard to Cork, where he was again examined and remanded back to jail until Monday next. In the meantime the excitement continues, and the newspapers are reprinting characteristic speeches of the eccentric Train as a sort of justification of his arrest.

☞ We are indebted to Mr. J. Bradley and Mr. W. M. Edwards for a file of New York papers in advance of the mail. The last gentleman was detained from this city to the National Brickmakers' Union, at New York, and they enjoyed themselves greatly. The Union transacted a large amount of business, and had a very harmonious and pleasant session.

☞ We regret to hear that Col. D. C. Freeman is again quite ill and has been compelled to defer for the present his contemplated trip to Texas. He is now at his home in Franklin county.

☞ Messrs. Cromie & Sherrill, 59 Fourth street, have sent us part 194 of Chambers' Encyclopedia, published in excellent style by J. B. Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia.

The Police Bill.

If any persons were alarmed by the stupid and silly cry in regard to the passage with precipitate haste by the Legislature of the police bill introduced into the Senate the other day, they will be relieved upon reading the letter we publish this morning from Messrs. Winchester, Cooke, and Webb, Senators from this city. The measure will be fully and thoroughly considered, and as the necessity of a change in our police system is acknowledged by all, we doubt not a bill just in itself and entirely satisfactory to our people will be framed and adopted. It is fortunate that the delegation in the Legislature from this city is composed of able and discreet gentlemen, some of whom have had a large experience in city affairs, and in whose good judgment and prudence we all have full confidence. There is no occasion whatever for our people to be unduly excited. They may rely with full confidence in the Legislature doing what is right and proper. Either the present bill will be relieved of its objectionable features—and it contains some very obnoxious ones—or a new bill that will be acceptable will be framed and adopted. The necessity that something shall be done being universally conceded, we are under no apprehensions as to the action of the Legislature. While that body will relieve us of police rule it will not fasten upon us any oppressive or anti-Democratic measures. In any event ample time will be given to consider and discuss the subject in all its bearings, and attention having been directed to it, our representatives will be thoroughly posted and will be able to act understandingly. We will soon speak of the bill and other proposed measures more at length.

The Session of the Legislature.

Under a provision of the State constitution, no session of the General Assembly can continue beyond sixty days except by a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each House. In view of the impossibility of getting through with necessary legislation within the prescribed time, a joint resolution was adopted by the House of Representatives last week extending the session beyond the constitutional limit, but the Senate refused to concur in it.

Up to this time local bills have occupied much of the attention of the Legislature, to the exclusion of legislation of a more general character, and an adjournment at the expiration of the sixty days would be a serious misfortune. We entirely concur in the abstract correctness of the aphorism that "the world is too much governed," but there are matters upon which the interests of the Commonwealth demand a change in our statute laws. It is the duty of the legislators to see that these are on no account neglected. We cannot doubt that the Senate will reconsider its rejection of the House resolution.

Original Portrait of Jefferson.

Mr. Robb, Sergeant-at-Arms of the Kentucky House of Representatives, has in his possession a portrait of Thomas Jefferson, taken from life by the celebrated Hilbert Stewart. The printing is on wood, and is pronounced by connoisseurs a *chef d'œuvre* of that famous master. It was originally taken for Col. Lewis Sanders, the father of Geo. N. Sanders, and was purchased, together with a portrait of Gen. Washington, by the present owner's father-in-law, Major W. S. Dallam, when Col. Sanders was forced by financial embarrassments to part with them.

Impressed with the conviction that such a treasure ought rather to belong to the great Commonwealth of Kentucky than a private citizen, Mr. Robb proposes to let the State have the portrait for $1,000, a sum much below that which it would command if exposed for sale to the highest bidder. Accordingly Mr. Phister, of Mason, yesterday introduced a resolution looking to its purchase. The picture is at present in the Governor's office at Frankfort.

☞ A bill fixing the salaries of circuit judges in the Commonwealth at $6,500, was before the House of Representatives yesterday. Several amendments were proposed reducing the amount below that specified, and one increasing it to $4,000. The subject gave rise to a very animated debate, in which Messrs. Reed, Phister, Davies and Brown participated, some of the speeches taking a political range and being decidedly spicy. Before the conclusion of the debate an adjournment took place. To-morrow's COURIER will contain a full report of the discussion.

The salaries of judges should by all means be sufficient to arrest for the bench the first legal talent of the State. An enlightened and independent judiciary is essential to the public weal.

Speech of Hon. J. B. Beck.

Much of our space is occupied this morning with the maiden effort in Congress of Hon. James B. Beck, the representative from the Ashland District. Like all Mr. Beck's efforts, it is able, clear, convincing, and powerful, and we impress upon every reader of the COURIER not to miss the rare treat its perusal will afford him.

☞ The Registration bill came up yesterday in the Kentucky House of Representatives, but action upon it was deferred until the last day of the current month. We have already given free expression to our opinion that the public interest demands that the bill should become a law, and we cannot doubt its ultimate passage.

☞ Col. Phil. Lee received the indorsement of the Bullitt county meeting Monday, as a candidate for Commonwealth's Attorney. Opposition to Col. Lee in that region would be considered an indictable offense, the mildest punishment for which would be banishment.

☞ The Democratic meeting in Bullitt county Monday recommended Hon. R. H. Field as a candidate for Circuit Judge in this District. Mr. F. would make an efficient and a popular judge.

COCK FIGHTING IN LOUISVILLE.

A Great "Main."

We were surprised last evening to learn that among other sporting institutions our city rejoices in a cock-pit, where "mills" between the feathery tribe are witnessed several nights out of the week. A great "main" being announced for last night, we were induced to attend, and as custom has made it obligatory upon local reporters to tell nearly all they observe to this wicked world, we have concluded to lift the curtain and give those of our readers who may see fit to read it a brief report of the manner in which this old time practice is conducted in this enlightened and civilized age.

Upon entering the saloon in front, we were shown to a door in the rear of the house, which we entered in company with several friends, and followed them up stairs, meandering through several rooms, until the third-story was reached. Here we entered a room, in the center of which was a ring enclosed by a bulwark. In the circle of seats surrounding the enclosure, which was, perhaps, fifteen feet in diameter, we noticed a large audience, comprising many familiar faces. Among them were men of responsible position, city officers, youths of lofty parentage, but whose moral training has been somewhat inadvertently neglected. This class of responsibility was promiscuously sandwiched in between the "sporting" and "humming" fraternity of our city.

Previous to our entrance the curtain had fallen on the first act of the grand "main," which comprised fifteen cocks on each side, for fifty dollars a fight. We learned that out of the five first fights of the "main," three had been killed, and four of the battles won by one of the parties. There are ten more to be fought, resuming to-night.

All money bet was promptly handed over to the winners by the stakeholders, upon the result being decided by the man hovering in the ring. In every case the cocks appeared alive to the impending contest, and eager for the fray. So far as we could learn, they comprised the breeds known as the Spanish and Irish game fowls, two species considered the gamiest and most expert fighting chickens of the age.

This sport, like many others pervading in America, is justly regarded by the christian and moral portion of society as cruel and barbarous, and it is only a small edition of the "prize ring," where human beings mutilate and at times mortally wound each other. But a few days ago a pugilist was killed in a "mill" near St. Louis. We merely mention cock fighting in our city as we would a prize fight, and like a faithful sentinel, to keep our readers posted as to what is going on in our midst.

HILLBY.

FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

Special Correspondence of the Louisville Courier.

FRANKFORT, Jan 21, 1868.

THE LADIES—THEY TAKE TO A BILL.

Profiting by our suggestion of yesterday, as soon as the COURIER was received this morning, the ladies set about preparing themselves to take their proper places in the lobby, and within half an hour, despite the snow and wind and weather, the sofas were sparkling with bright eyes, to whose glances the sunbeams filtering through the bosom of the cloud constituted a mere circumstance. The consequence is that the House is on its "good behavior," and would pass any bill which the wants or even whims of the ladies might demand. We were only astonished that no notice was made to reconsider the vote alluded to yesterday.

THE REASON WHY

the ladies were absent from the halls of legislation on yesterday, as we have just ascertained, was one that there was no room for by the weather, as we inferred, but was because of the fact that they were engaged in committee of the whole, in consideration of an invitation referred to them by the Committee on Corporate Institutions, requesting one of the *longest* subjects of which they have control, and one of the most difficult to manage. Hopes are entertained this morning, however, that by the aid of the powers invoked by the Ancient Order, and via the acute and suggestive wits of the ladies, the trouble may be obviated, and the *Headman* brought to the *front*. After a protracted session, the committee "rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again," and in the meantime referred the matter to a sub committee of one, which was in session vociferously pressing the investigation till the "ayes and noses" as a "thoroughfare of the morning star, gathering in the Northern sky." So says the report. When such earnestness, pertinacity and vigilance are manifested there can scarcely be a failure.

PORTRAIT OF THOMAS JEFFERSON.

W. N. Robb, Esq., Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives, is the owner of the only original portrait of Thomas Jefferson by that great American master, Hilbert C. Stuart. He never, we understand, painted but two patriots of Jefferson, one of which was destroyed by fire many years since in the capital at Washington. An artist of great distinction was shown this portrait a short time since, and without any knowledge or information upon the subject at once exclaimed: "That was painted by Stuart—no other hand could have done it."

This morning Judge Phister introduced a resolution providing for the purchase by the State of Kentucky for the Hall of the House of Representatives. The resolution lies upon the table one day under the rule. We cannot doubt its passage. There are many reasons why Kentucky should own this portrait of that man. They suggest themselves to the mind at once and need not be enumerated. Mr. Robb, as understand, has persistently refused to sell the painting to private parties, many of whom have desired to purchase it, but that if the State of Kentucky desires it he will consent to part with it, retaining that interest in it which or still then have in common with the people of the entire Commonwealth.

SALARIES OF CIRCUIT JUDGES.

The bill to increase the salaries of Circuit Judges was under consideration this morning, and pending its consideration there was some pretty tart and spicy sparring between Representatives Brown, from Washington, and Phister, from Mason, having no love for each other, but political matters and looking a little into the past. We thought the advantage in the discussion was on the side of the Judge, though his favorite of the position for which he contended, as may have been influenced by our personal partialities.

The salaries of the Circuit Judges are very far below what they should be, in our judgment, and if we were a member of the House we should vote for the proposition of Mr. Davis to make the salary $4,000. Our opinion, however, is that the House will not adopt that sum, but will fix upon about $3,000. Such seems to us to be the temper.

DANCING CLASS.

We understand that a dancing class, in charge of a most competent teacher, has been organized in this city, in which age constitutes no barrier to admission. It is said to be conducted upon the latest ideas and most improved developments of the art. In terms of the system we will undertake to report further.

REGISTRATION LAW.

The special order of the day for 11 o'clock, A. M., was the consideration of the bill for the registration of births, marriages and deaths. Colonel Gibson, who had originally introduced the bill, moved that it be made the special order for Friday, January 31st. He explained to the House that a closer examination of the subject had revealed the fact that this law is still on the statute book unrepealed. The first registration law was passed in 1852, an amended law passed in 1860. This amended law contained in its last paragraph the following error: Instead of repealing chapter *eighty-two* of the Revised Statutes, it repealed, by mistake, chapter *seventy-two*, which treated of an altogether different subject. In August, 1862, this error was discovered—it was found that we had two registration laws—the old one and the new one, and then an act was passed repealing the original law of 1852 and leaving the amended law in full force. The war has been the cause of this confusion—the Registrar, Dr. Samuel Bemiss, being a Southern sympathizer, was about to be arrested, and to avoid a prison he escaped from Louisville and went South. No Registrar was appointed to fill his place by the Democratic Governor, and when Bruce Governor was elected, amid the confusion of the times, and in presence of the fact that the assessors could not complete their necessary duty, the law was allowed to remain unenforced. The law has gradually lost sight of, and when the State Medical Society memorialized the Legislature for a new law, it shared the general impression that the law had been repealed.

Mr. Davis, of Burbon, moved that the bill be referred to the Judiciary Committee (Gibson consenting), the Judiciary Committee was instructed to report on the bill on January 31st. The highest legal authorities have been consulted and unanimously agree that the law is still unrepealed. We are extremely glad to know that this question is practically settled and that we will have a registration law without further opposition.

PICA.

[The pressure on our columns compels us to omit the pen portraits of our correspondent this morning. They will appear to-morrow.—ED. COURIER.]

Memory of Gen. Henry Crist.

To the Editor of the Louisville Courier:

Although many of the virtues held in common, and daily practiced by our ancestors, seem to be forgotten, or if remembered, their binding force upon the present generation seems to be ignored, yet there is one feeling in the hearts of all true Kentuckians—a feeling of gratitude to the noble pioneers of the "dark and bloody ground;" to the self-sacrificing few who perfled their lives to rear the country of the savage foe, and through whose perils, hardships and stirring we are now permitted to enjoy the blessings and privileges of a government of the State, and have guaranteed to us the emoluments and profits of the most beautiful and productive lands of this or any other country. To them we are indebted for these blessings, and to them our grandchildren should be expected upon all suitable occasions, and to cease to feel and express that gratitude would be an evidence of our unworthiness to enjoy the blessings their daring deeds and sufferings have conferred upon us and their descendants.

The Legislature of Kentucky has in times past entitled herself to the thanks of a grateful people in the commendable notice she has taken of Boone, Kenton, Brinker and others in causing their remains to be removed to, and re-interred in the beautiful cemetery at Frankfort, and erecting over them a monument to mark the spot where the fathers sleep. No more fitting tribute could be paid them, and no thing could be more grateful to a true people than the act of their representatives. It is right and proper that those who in early life were so exalted, and whose feelings for each other were stronger than a brother's, should sleep their toils, dangers and hardships are over, sleep together in the beautiful grand quiet, apart from the bones of Boone and others, that their virtues and services may be kept green in our memories, when time shall have worn from the marble that covers the graves the record of their deeds.

To be like a note been written on reading in your paper of yesterday the presentation of a bill to the House of Representatives by Hobbs, the member from Bullitt county, relating to the removal to that the remains of Gen. Henry Crist, the contemporary of Boone, Kenton and others, and who died in that county, in an obscure resting place, and asking that the Governor cause him also to be disinterred and removed to the cemetery at Frankfort, to be reinterred by the side of those who were his associates in life, and that a suitable monument be erected over his grave. I cannot doubt but that this request will at once have the attention of the committee to whom the matter has been referred, and that it will meet with the hearty concurrence of every member of the General Assembly. To us who are familiar, from the written and traditional history of Kentucky, with the perils, privations and sufferings of the pioneers, the part acted by Gen. Crist is well known, and for undaunted courage, long suffering from severe wounds, and active and untiring zeal, Gen. Crist was excelled by none, nor suffered less, and no one of all that noble band deserves more of our gratitude than he. When dangers were thickest and the people desired a State government for their greater security and protection, General Christ was raised upon to assist in framing a constitution, and in many important positions he aided in perfecting our system of government and in securing the happiness of the people. Such an one deserves the gratitude of all age with honor from their representatives every inch of that respect which his eminent services and qualified character as a man justly merit.

HILLBY.

RECONSTRUCTION.

SPEECH OF HON. JAMES B. BECK, OF KENTUCKY,

In the House of Representatives, January 15, 1868,

On the Bill H. R. No. 439 Additional and Supplementary to an Act Entitled "An Act to Provide for the More Efficient Government of the Rebel States," Passed March 2, 1867.

Mr. BECK. As one of the minority of the Committee on Reconstruction, I desire briefly to state the reasons which induce me to dissent from the report of the majority of that committee, and to vote against the bill now before the House. I am sorry that I am compelled to differ from my colleagues on that committee, and from the majority of my political friends in this House and throughout the country; but I have no alternative. I cannot conscientiously support the measure proposed by the majority of the committee, and I am unwilling to be silent when I am called upon to vote. I have not been able to agree with my colleagues in the views they have taken of the powers of Congress over the subject of reconstruction, and I have been unable to concur with them in the measures they have proposed. I have been unable to concur with them in the measures they have proposed. I have been unable to concur with them in the measures they have proposed.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, - - JAN. 22, 1862.

A New Demand on Loyal Gratitude.

Our readers have not forgotten how the country broke into a broad grin at the expense of the first Republican President, when, on the morning of February 23d, 1861, that distinguished functionary, with a few followers, made his first appearance at the Federal Capital disguised in a Scotch plaid, and exhausted from a night of anxiety and hard travel. The day before he had officiated at the raising of the National flag over Independence Hall, at Philadelphia, and thence proceeded to Harrisburg to meet the Pennsylvania Legislature. Up to this point his journey from his residence at Springfield, Illinois, to take possession of the executive honors, had been accomplished in the company of his family and a numerous suite of admiring friends, and diversified by many ovatious and lavish displays of his peculiar style of oratory. The public did not dream that there was to be an abrupt termination of all such pageantry after Harrisburg was reached, and that his progress thereafter was rather to resemble the flight of the guilty from the expected pursuit of the avenger than the triumphal march of a conquering hero. Yet so it was. Mr. Lincoln retired to his chamber about six o'clock on the evening of the 22d, and the next thing the people and his family heard of him was the announcement by telegraph that he had arrived in Washington. A very unwonted travel and the distinguished honour of sharing in his moonlight flitting through the country of those from whom he appropriated vivers is to his person.

There are but few of our readers, we say, who cannot call to mind the amused and yet contemptuous astonishment produced by this extraordinary affair. Every body knew that the danger which caused the newly elected Chief Magistrate to act so undignified a part, and to bring upon himself the ridicule of the world, was as unreal as the baseless fabric of a dream. Democrats saw in the behavior of the Republican President a tacit confession that he felt that his position was one of hostility to the people of a section of the Union, and Republicans smothered their curses against the timidity of the man who so aptly illustrated the proverb "the wicked flee when no man pursueth." A prevailing sentiment of regret, however, was discernible among men of all parties. People could not but feel sad at the thought of this man hurrying, fearful and in disguise, through one of the old thirteen States to take possession of the chair in which Washington and Jefferson and Madison and Monroe had sat.

As time went on the development of the policy of the new administration was of a character so inimical to the South that it could be easily understood how the consciousness of what he and his party were about to do had made Mr. Lincoln fearful of passing over Maryland soil. If half our present calamities, and the calamities that have befallen the nation since the accession of the Republican party to power, could have been averted by the death of Abraham Lincoln, and many thousands like him, the country would have been infinitely the gainer. As we have said, however, there was never the slightest ground for ascribing to, and so well were the new President's friends satisfied of this that they were but too willing to let the affair die out, deeming it quite enough to throw out in their champion's behalf an ex parte satisfied report of some vague conspiracy. Thus the matter rested until lately, when a zealous but injudicious admirer of the "martyred President" essayed to write a history of the war, in which, not content with the absurdity of charging that the assassination of Lincoln by Wilkes Booth was the result of a "rebel" conspiracy, he undertook to make it appear that the successful plot was the accomplished the life of his favorite. In this ill-advised and malicious attempt the foolish author published a statement from Superintendent Kennedy, of the New York Metropolitan police, regarding certain efforts made by him and his detective force to ascertain the facts of the alleged conspiracy. Kennedy of course failed to make out a case, though evincing much anxiety to do so. This publication, if it failed in everything else, has had the effect of arousing a longing for fame, not unmixed with a little envy toward Kennedy, in the breast of a "loyal" Chicago detective, Allan Pinkerton by name, who straightway rushed into print to prove that he is the man to whom the nation owes an everlasting debt of gratitude for guarding the valuable life of Abraham Lincoln against the vile treasonable plots of bloody minded "secessionists" and "rebels." Mr. Pinkerton informs the world that he was in the employ of the President of the Philadelphia, Wilmington, and Baltimore railroad company to whom it had been whispered that these same terrible secessionists contemplated to do his road a damage, when he received information of that other abortive conspiracy, which, as he was a "loyal" man, he proceeded, after some deliberation, to communicate to the Honorable Norman B. Judd, the President's confidential friend and who was then with him at Philadelphia. Mr. Pinkerton does not rest his claim to immortality as against Superintendent Kennedy on his own bare assertion, but backs it up by a lengthy statement from Mr. Judd himself. Now this same Honorable Norman B. Judd had had more to do with making Mr. Lincoln President than any other man living. He it was who reported the celebrated debates between Douglas and Lincoln, and in those debates, put into the latter's mouth speeches that gave him reputation and the Chicago nomination, and which he never equalled either before or since. Judd, we may therefore reasonably conclude, was a good sort of a reporter in a partisan point of view, but as the same individual is rarely great in more than one thing, we ought not to be surprised on learning that Judd proved himself as chicken hearted as to be chosen as such a flutter at Pinkerton's information, although that astute detective's story had really no basis except a very foolish suspicion. As a matter of course he couldn't keep his head long to himself. He told his chief the direful tale in the presence of Pinkerton and counselled the course that was subsequently pursued. From Mr Judd's account, which he and his family were dreadfully scared, they did not regret that they were likely to be laughed at, and as it was agreed to hold a sort of council of war to which neither of Mr Lincoln's friends were invited. The result of that council we give:

The meeting then arranged took place in the parlor of the hotel. Mr. Lincoln took a seat. Two lawyers were called from their beds, together with the detective, for the purpose of action. There was a discussion of opinions and some warm discussion, and I was requested to assist in the cross-examination. Judge Davis, who had expressed no opinion, but contented himself with asking questions of others, turned to Mr Lincoln, who had been listening to the whole discussion, and said, "Well, Mr Lincoln, what is your judgment upon the matter." Mr. Lincoln replied, "I have thought over this matter considerably since I was awakened by your knock at the door, and with the understanding that I am to be entirely free to act upon my own judgment, regardless of the opinions of others, I will say that I shall not go to Washington by the way of Baltimore." Judge Davis said, "That settles the matter, and I for one will not be responsible for the consequences, should anything occur." Mr. Lincoln remarked that I knew nothing of the matter, and I had no opinion to express. I then went with Mr. Lincoln and helped to dress. I have no doubt that additional persons would be in the case, but none of the actual old settlers were up, and dressing was useless.

Now it is plain from this that none of the present cabinet [illegible] and Judge Davis, three wise men.

It is worthy of remark that previous to [illegible] Pinkerton's claim, [illegible] when the excitement of a riot or conspiracy was over, where they made so much noise.

One more extract from Judd's account and we close.

The party separated about [illegible] the others to go to the station house, and agreed to give the railroad station of the [illegible] office. At a quarter to 4 I went back at the time. Mr Lincoln came in with Mr Sumner and came down with a soft hat [illegible] his pocket, and his shawl on his arm. At [illegible] I went to my room and [illegible] Lincoln, Sumner, Hunter, and Mr Lincoln coming in the carriage. [illegible] Mr Lincoln immediately retired to bed in the sleeping car. No one but the persons named, not even the lady, knew when Mr Lincoln was, until the next morning, at Washington. The next day from [illegible] I went to my room and put [illegible] and did here [illegible] on, when a message reached me from Pinkerton saying that that point all was right.

Was ever anything more absurd?

LEGISLATIVE LEADERS.—The leading article in the Louisville Times of December 31st, occupied seven columns. A leading article, occupying half of the same time in the Memphis Appeal, is not yet concluded.

LETTER FROM MR. STEVENSON.

The following admirable letter from Mr. Stevenson in reply to an invitation to attend the Democratic celebration at Washington, on the 8th., has been on hand for several days, but has been unavoidably crowded out up to this time:—

STATE OF KENTUCKY, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, FRANKFORT, Jan. 1, 1862.

GENTLEMEN: official duty compels me to forego the pleasure of accepting your kind invitation to a banquet to be given upon the 8th inst., at the Metropolitan, in Washington city, by the National Democratic Association there.

The General Assembly of Kentucky at this time in session will remain there upon that day. The claims of public business will require my constant presence at the seat of government until that body adjourns.

I therefore reluctantly deny myself a personal participation in your festival. I rejoice, however, that this celebration is to take place. The time, the place, the occasion, will strongly recall all the hallowed memories of other, I may justly add better, days of the Republic. The prominent men and distinguished statesmen who will there assemble around the festive board for an interchange of opinion will lead, I trust, to good results.

You commemorate an anniversary immortal in American history; its celebration will awaken emotions enshrined in the hearts of the American Democracy.

Our country has a right to be proud of her heroes and statesmen. Andrew Jackson was both!

He extinguished our national debt, *not by loan repudiated* as a national [illegible]

Claims honestly for a long period on the United States by a first-class foreign power, and which from time to time, upon specious pretexts, had by that Government been compromised, were exacted and paid without bloodshed. In that dark hour of his administration, when internal commotion for the first time angrily threatened the unity of the Federal Government, this fearless soldier proved himself to be still an enlightened and calm statesman!

Standing upon the broad base of the Constitution, with patriotic hereditary instincts and the integrity of the Federal Union, while he severely reprobated and upheld the honor, safety, peace, and reserved rights of every sovereign State composing it.

Could his noble spirit, conscious of the earthly honor you would pay to a mere mummeration of the day, which, during life he rendered immortal, speak to the statesmen who surround your festive board, what would be its utterance? Methinks it would plead in pensive, touching tones, through the Democracy of this nation, and through *every other good and free patriot*, whether in past political opinions, for a whole Union and a whole Constitution! Nay, more—would not Andrew Jackson's spirit implore for that people, whom, more than fifty years ago, on the 8th of January, he, with the Spartan band, saved from foreign sack and sacrilege, that they might be spared from greater horrors now threatening them from the intricate and unprincipled of a portion of the American people.

Let those of our opponents and rulers whose pleasure it is to decry and rail at the Democracy as unfit to take charge of the Federal Government, compare the present action of Congress with that which marked the administration of the lion-hearted Democrat, and the leaders will shrink back at a comparison which their own folly forbids.

It is a subject of patriotic congratulation, that, though Andrew Jackson sleeps at the Hermitage, in his own loved Tennessee, yet that gallant, crown-trodden, dismembered Commonwealth is still represented in the successive departments of the Federal Government by another chieftain, who is imitating the old hero in battling with manly courage for the Constitution and Union against the ruthless usurpations of those who would destroy both.

Let patriots everywhere stand by him, with an earnest, cordial support. I even grant that the American people, throughout the length and breadth of our land, may become aroused to the dangers which environ us. May they be awakened to the perils of the hour, and wave our liberal heritage of free institutions ere it be too late.

Dark as is the hour, I will not despair. I cannot persuade myself that any considerable number of the free white people composing the American Republic desire to see in the Southern States the Union a struggle for political ascendancy between the blacks, seeking to emancipate, and the whites, determined to maintain their supremacy in the State Governments. Will the present Congress send us in a conflict of races? Can they, when our image, fire, sword, conflagration, rapine, pillage, devastation, and their kindred horrors envelop these oppressed States as consummation of this catastrophe and logical sequences of their action, hide themselves from an outraged community? Can a picture so degrading to our humanity, so revolting to the civilization of the nineteenth century, be received by the masses of American freemen? Yet, dark as it is, we are truly hourly [illegible] of its reality. God, in His mercy, avert it.

Let us all forget the past, and unite as one man around that statesman whom the Democracy shall designate as our leader in the coming campaign. With the Constitution of the United States, and the equality of all the States as the shibboleth upon his shield, backed by the Democratic masses of free white men, determined, at all hazards, and any cost, to maintain their divine heritage of superiority over the black race, and we shall triumph. Then we shall prove worthy of our national birthright.

With my best wishes for your success and a heartfelt regret that I am [illegible] which may be productive of good results, I take the liberty of enclosing a sentiment, and beg you to believe me, Very truly, yours,

J. W. STEVENSON.

CHAS. MASON, T. B. FLOURNOY, J. H. HOOVER, &c., Committee.

Report of St. Paul's Church Missionary Society.

[illegible] Church, of Louisville, having held [illegible] the 22d inst., the Rector, Rev. J. M. W[illegible] read the following report, showing [illegible] which [illegible]

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WANTED.

WANTED—SITUATION—I want a situation as bar-tender. I understand the business in all its branches and will take a situation in a first-class saloon only; the best of reference given. Address, for one week, Louisville Postoffice, for box 687. E. MOONEY. 1st*dtf

WANTED—A PRINTER—To take charge of a small office in the country; a good chance for a steady and sober hand to send a few recommends privately to the publishers, address C. M. HOLT, Jr., Shawneetown, Ill. jan16 d3t

WANTED—BOARDING—A couple of gentlemen can get good boarding and lodging at No. 32 Fifth street.

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WANTED—BOARDING—The first-class boarding house on Fifth street, between Green and Walnut, has a few vacancies for boarders; five dollars per week. jan16 d3t

WANTED—BOARDING—A few families can be accommodated with boarding at No. 211 Fifth street, between Green and Walnut. jan16 d3t

WANTED—BOARDING AND LODGING—A few families and a gentleman can get good boarding and lodging

DAILY COURIER.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, - - JAN. 22, 1868.

Courier's Specials.

WASHINGTON.

Affairs at the National Capital.

The Mississippi Test Case Advanced.

Kentucky Election Case--Brown vs. Smith

Democratic Presidential Convention.

Reconstruction Bill Adopted.

Cabinet Discussion on Train's Arrest

SERIOUS COMPLICATIONS APPREHENDED.

&c., &c., &c.

[Special Telegraphic Correspondence of the Louisville Courier.]

THE MCARDLE TEST CASE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 21.—As predicted in this correspondence several days since, this morning the Supreme Court decided to advance the McArdle test case on the docket and set it for hearing on the 1st Monday in March next. This case, it will be remembered, arises under the reconstruction acts now in force in the Southern States, the constitutionality of those acts being involved therein to a certain extent. Chief Justice Chase announced that a decision of the court would be given at an early day. A decision on this important question is now awaited.

THE KENTUCKY CONTESTED ELECTION.

The Committee on Elections presented a report in the case of Mr. Brown, of Kentucky, to-day. They report against Mr. Brown's admission for alleged disloyalty, and declare Mr. Smith not entitled to a seat as he did not get a majority of the votes, and authorize the Speaker of the House to notify the Governor of Kentucky of a vacancy thus created.

A PRECEDENT ESTABLISHED

This decision in Mr. Smith's case is the first ever given in the country by Congress, or by any State Legislature, on the points involved.

ENGLISH AUTHORITY CITED.

To sustain his case Smith cites a number of cases in England where the House of Commons gave the seat to the defeated candidate where the one having the largest number of votes was declared ineligible. The committee, however, answer this by quoting English authorities to show that in all such cases it was held necessary to prove the ineligibility of the candidate to be announced publicly and generally during the canvass.

THE DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CONVENTION

The Evening Express to-day says parties are here in consultation with leading Democratic politicians as to time and place for holding the next Democratic Presidential convention. They urge that Cincinnati is the best point at which to hold it, and say that the Democracy of that city will do the handsome thing if it should be selected. They express the opinion that Pendleton is the choice of the Democracy and will be the nominee.

THE RECONSTRUCTION BILL.

passed the House to-day without material amendment, all the Democrats voting in the negative, and with them Cary, of Ohio, and Stewart, of New York.

THADDEUS STEVENS SPEAKS FIVE MINUTES

Thad. Stevens made a five minute speech, remarking that the bill was not all he wanted, and hence he did not vote in committee for it, but he would vote for it now.

SIX HUNDRED NOMINATIONS

The Senate Military Committee has reported upon about six hundred army nominations and the Senate will probably act upon them in the course of a fortnight. They are mostly for brevets and regular promotions, and will doubtless be confirmed.

THE LATE BRITISH OUTRAGE.

The President and Cabinet have under advisement matters pertaining to the arrest of George Francis Train and other Americans by the English authorities. It is generally accepted as a high-handed outrage and may lead to serious complications.

THE PATENT OFFICE

It is undecided whether Bishop, of Connecticut, or Col. Cox will be appointed Commissioner of Patents.

THE BUREAU IN TENNESSEE

An evening paper states that Stanton will indefinitely suspend the order of Grant directing the discontinuance of the Freedmen's Bureau in Tennessee after February 15th. Gen. Howard and the Tennessee delegation urge the suspension of this order.

THE SECOND TRIAL OF SURRATT

It has been supposed that John Surratt would be discharged without another trial, but it was without foundation. His trial is set for the 25th of February, and Judge Black will appear as one of his counsel.

ASSOCIATE JUDGE FOR NEW MEXICO.

Judge Wm. B. Russell, of Lincoln county, Ky., will probably be nominated as Associate Justice of New Mexico.

THE SUPREME COURT BILL

The Judiciary Committee of the Senate will take up the Supreme Court bill to-morrow. It is believed of the committee that Trumbull, Hendricks, Johnson, and Fretinghuysen are against it, and Conkling, Stewart and Edmunds for it.

NEW ORLEANS.

Effort to Remove Gen. Hancock--Desperate Straits of the Radicals--The Tax Question---Louisville Bond in the Crescent City, &c.

[Special Dispatch to the Louisville Courier.]

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 21.—A vigorous effort is being made by the Radicals to effect the removal of Gen. Hancock, whose determination to maintain the supremacy of civil law has proved their greatest obstacle to proposed violent and unconstitutional measures.

To this end Thomas W. Conway set out for Washington last evening, carrying a petition to Congress, signed by about forty delegates to the convention, reciting the alleged wrongs and sufferings of loyalists under the present military commander, and praying for his immediate removal. To this pitiful device the extremists have turned, as a last resort in their desperate straits. More than half the delegates refused to sign the petition.

In reply to a committee of delegates who asked Gen. Hancock what course he would take in case the State courts interfered with the collection of the tax, the General has stated that to anticipate any such illegal action would be impertinent, but that it will be time enough to consider it when the emergency arises. It is a significant fact that this reply was addressed only to the two white delegates of the committee, entirely ignoring the third, a mulatto.

Gen. Hancock, accompanied by three staff officers, left for Galveston this morning.

The Louisville Eagle Cornet Band, which came down with the excursionists on the R. E. Lee, serenaded the various newspaper offices last evening. The whole party are enjoying themselves hugely.

Arrived—Towboat Mary Alice and ten barges from Pittsburg. Departed—Southerner and Nick Longworth, for Louisville.

ARKANSAS.

The Convention—Adoption of Ordinance No 1.

[Special Dispatch to the Louisville Courier.]

LITTLE ROCK, Jan. 21.—Ordinance No. 1 being the special order, which levies one-fourth of one per cent of taxable property of the State, was taken up and passed, several Radicals voting no, because of the ordinance passed several days ago appropriating seventy five thousand dollars out of the treasury for expenses of the Convention.

The report of the Committee on Returns, allowing per diem of one dollar per day, sixteen dollars; each member, ten dollars; secretary, twenty dollars; each assistant secretary and the chaplain ten dollars, sergeant-at-arms postmaster and doorkeeper, eight dollars each, pages, four dollars each, and mileage of each member twenty miles going and returning, after sundry amendments from both sides of the house, was at last adopted.

A letter from Thos. B. Hanley, of Illinois, asking the establishment of a separate criminal court, and a communication from an Illinois gentleman, claiming citizenship in Greene county, Ark., asking the convention to appoint a judiciary which would enable him to return to Greene county and obtain property which he now cannot enjoy because of disloyalty, partiality, &c., in judicial circles in that district. Both were referred to the Judiciary Committee.

ST. LOUIS.

The Voltaire-Rath Case—The Supreme Court Silent on Railroad Questions—The Negro Overboard.

[Special Dispatch to the Louisville Courier.]

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 21.—The Voltaire-Rath case was up before the court to-day. No interesting developments. Von Baire threatens to publish all the letters between his wife and Rath.

The Missouri Supreme Court returns to give an opinion to the Senate on certain railroad questions.

The Radical meeting at Turner's Hall last night threw the negro overboard. He was not mentioned in one of the speeches, and was entirely kept out of the resolutions. The Radicals would like to get out of taking a position on the negro question if they knew how.

NASHVILLE.

Another Outrageous Measure Before the Legislature—Frozen to Death—Radical State Convention—A Dead Nigger—Robbery and Murder—Stabbing Affray—River News, &c.

Special Dispatch to the Louisville Courier.

NASHVILLE, Jan. 21.—A bill to before the Legislature to prohibit lawyers who were identified with the rebellion from practicing in the courts of the State. From the fact that there is to be known with a number of acts already passed it is not improbable that this outrageous measure may become a law.

Gen. Buchanan's wagon was stuck to death in Lebanon on Friday.

It is the impression that the city schools will have to suspend for lack of funds in the municipal treasury.

The Radical State convention convened here to-day to nominate delegates to the Republican national convention. The delegates will be nearly all committed to Grant.

At West Point, Georgia, on Thursday, two negroes got into a quarrel, when both drew pistols simultaneously, and in less than a minute one was a dead darky.

Near Timonsville, South Carolina, a few days since a party of armed negroes entered a store for the purpose of plunder. A clerk in the employ of a man named Bagge, of Rio, resisted, and was shot through the heart and killed instantly. A friend of Bagge, coming into the store on hearing the noise, was fired upon and barely escaped with his life.

In Mobile on Saturday, John Lodge and George Chisholm got into a difficulty when the former was stabbed through the heart, dying in a few moments.

The river is rising rapidly since the heavy rain of yesterday.

Departed—Alice, for Louisville, and Tyrone, for Cincinnati.

Press Dispatches.

MISSISSIPPI.

The Convention—The Election Ordinance—Qualifications of Officers and Others—The Oaths.

JACKSON, Miss., Jan 20—In convention to-day resolutions were adopted asking Congress to continue the Freedmen's Bureau until reconstruction is completed; to appoint a committee to wait upon and urge upon the Senate to take some proper steps to prevent State officers enforcing any acts under their execution until further orders.

A lengthy ordinance on elections and qualifications of officers and others was offered and referred to the Committee on Suffrage. The following are the principal features: No person shall be deemed qualified to vote who has ever been in armed hostility against the United States or authorities thereof, except persons engaged in such hostilities or who in any manner have adhered to the enemies thereof, giving or doing aid, comfort, countenance or support to